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**Subject:** Microsoft Settlement

Attention: Department of Justice,

Regarding the recent Microsoft Settlement, I would like to state publicly that the settlement is fair and serves the public interest.

Considering all of the facts, this settlement is tough but is also reasonable and fair to all parties involved.

I beleive that this settlement is good for the consumer and that opposition to this settlement comes mainly from the competitors of Microsoft.

Sincerely,  
Paul Mindrup